II 7/31/97

PRELIMINARY DESIGN SUBMITTAL **ACCRA PAC/WARNER BAKER SITE CONSENT DECREE CIVIL ACTION NO. H89-0113**

JULY 31, 1997

PREPARED FOR **ACCRA PAC, INC. AND** THE ESTATE OF WARNER BAKER

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



283176

PREPARED BY EIS ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERS, INC 1701 NORTH IRONWOOD DRIVE **SOUTH BEND, INDIANA 46635**

J.\C. Sporleder, C.R.G. **Project Geologist**

anada Wanada Baxter-Potter, P.E.

Senior Project Engineer

H. Stephen Nye, P.E.

President

James M. Hánlor Senior Engineer

40740-1092-9601-01 ACCRA PAC PRELIMINARY DESIGN 07-31-97

TABLE OF CONTENTS

SEC	TION	P	AGE
1.0	INTR	RODUCTION	1
	1.1	Site Description	1
	1.2	Site Contaminants	2
	1.3	Treatability Study	3
2.0	DES	IGN CRITERIA	4
3.0	RES	SULTS OF TREATABILITY STUDIES	5
4.0	RESULTS OF ADDITIONAL FIELD SAMPLING AND PREDESIGN WORK		
5.0	PRO	DJECT DESIGN STRATEGY	7
		APPENDICES	
A	CON	NTAMINANT MAPS	
В	SPE	CIFICATIONS	
С	SCHEDULES		
D	PLA	INS, DRAWINGS AND SKETCHES	

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Preliminary Design Submittal is submitted in accordance with the provisions of Civil Action no. N89-0113, Consent Decree lodged with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana, South Bend Division. More specifically, it is the document to be submitted by Accra Pac, Inc., pursuant to Paragraph 11.d of the Consent Decree and Paragraph II(B)(4) of the Scope of Work.

1.1 **Site Description**

The Site is located at 2626 Industrial Parkway and covers approximately 2.3 acres in the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, Township 37 North, Range 5 East, Concord Township, Elkhart, Indiana.

Prior to 1962 the Warner Baker/Accra Pac Site (the Site) was cultivated farmland. Aerial photographs of the Site area taken in 1958 and provided by Airmaps, Inc., of Elkhart, Indiana, indicate that the Site was farmland with a pond and situated between two grass runways of a small airport. The aerial photographs indicate that the airport structures and plane parking were located off of the Site near the intersection of Middlebury Street and Middleton Road. The U.S. Geological Survey 1961 Topographic Quadrangle of Elkhart, Indiana, identified the runways as part of the East Side Airport.

According to records at the Elkhart County Recorder's office, Barbara and John Best purchased a large parcel of land, which included the Site, from Robert Collins in October 1962.

In July 1963, Middleton Run Industrial Acres, Inc., (Barbara and John Best, President) purchased properties from Barbara and John Best which included the Site. In December 1963, Middleton Run Industrial Acres, Inc., officially subdivided the properties and dedicated Industrial Parkway to public use. subdivision, which included the future Accra Pac Site, was Lot 2 (279,000 ft², ≈6.4 acres) of the Middleton Run Industrial Acres.

Accra Pac, Inc., operated a contract packaging facility from 1968 to 1975 at 2626 Industrial Parkway. This address corresponds with the portion of Lot 2 that was purchased by Accra Pac, Inc., from Middleton Run Industrial Acres, Inc., in 1967. The packaging plant operated by Accra Pac, Inc., was destroyed by an explosion and fire in January 1976. The property was purchased by Warner P. Baker on December 31, 1976. At that time, the structures on the 220-foot-by-40-foot parcel included a concrete building slab with 3 loading docks, several small concrete pads adjacent to the building slab and 13 underground storage tanks.

1.2 **Site Contaminants**

Both soil and groundwater contamination exist on the Site. The nature and extent of that contamination were described in detail in the "Report of Investigation of Contamination at the Warner P. Baker/Accra Pac Site, Elkhart, Indiana," dated September 1990 (1990 Report)(EIS, 1990). The results of subsequent sampling of 16 monitoring wells, completed in January 1994, and the results of subsequent study of the multi-component residuals (MCR) identified in the 1990 Report are included in the discussions below.

The Report indicated the presence of "multi-component residuals" (MCR). These compounds appeared to be two different categories of petroleum hydrocarbons. Ethylbenzene, Toluene and Xylene were found in samples containing MCR and in samples where no MCR were present. No relationship between these aromatics and The report stated that the MCR, containing only the MCR was evident. cyclohexanes, straight and branched chain alkanes, were not viewed as a contaminant of major environmental concern.

Approximately 5300 cubic yards of contaminated soil have been identified in the vadose zone on the Warner Baker property, and 240 cubic yards on the adjoining property, which is owned by ADEC. The contaminated soil on the ADEC property has been excavated and moved to the Warner Baker property for treatment. Total soil target VOC concentrations range from non-detectable to 4280 ppm. Total halogenated compound concentrations range from nondetectable to 74.4 ppm, total chlorofluorocarbon concentrations range from non-detectable to 2.6 ppm, and total aromatic hydrocarbon compound concentrations range from non-detectable to 4280 ppm. Soil concentrations of MCR in the vadose zone range from non-detectable to 4560 ppm. The clean-up performance standard as established in the Consent Decree is a reduction of the total of the concentration of the 15 Volatile Organic Compounds identified in the 1990 Report to 1 ppm.

A plume of contaminated groundwater with an areal extent of approximately seven acres extends beneath most of the Site and five to six hundred feet downgradient. Depth to groundwater is approximately nine feet and contamination extends vertically from the water table to 70 feet below grade. Data from the 1990 Report indicated that total target VOC concentrations ranged from 0.057 ppm to 387 ppm. Total halogenated compound concentrations ranged from 0.045 ppm to 134 ppm, total chlorofluorcarbon concentrations ranged from 0.006 ppm to 178 ppm, and total aromatic hydrocarbon compound concentrations ranged from 0.006 ppm to 74.7 ppm. The cleanup performance standard as set forth in the Consent Decree is a 95% reduction of the baseline concentration of total target Volatile Organic Compounds at each compliance point.

1.3 **Treatability Study**

A Treatability Study was done in 1990. This Study summarized the results of the development and detailed analysis remedy alternatives completed by EIS at that time. Six alternatives were identified for the Site. Those alternatives consisted of various combinations of one of three groundwater remediation technologies. Preliminary cost estimates were provided for most of the alternatives. Treatability Study was revised and updated in 1996. This revised study evaluates the technologies identified in the 1990 Report (EIS, 1990) in light of any intervening technical advances and identifies additional technologies which may not have been developed or well documented in 1990 but now show promise for sites such as the Warner Baker/Accra Pac Site. After prescreening, a short list of technologies was These technologies were included on an updated list of remedy alternatives which were assembled and evaluated. A single remediation alternative was then selected.

2.0 **DESIGN CRITERIA**

The primary design of the remediation system for the Warner Baker/Accra Pac site is based on the soil and groundwater cleanup criteria set forth in the Consent Decree. The cleanup criterion for groundwater is a 95% reduction in contaminants based on equivalent VOC levels from the Baseline Groundwater Monitoring event conducted September 30, 1996. The Consent Decree also requires cleanup of soil contaminants to 1 ppm. The Consent Decree also allows the Defendants to petition the EPA to allow the discontinuance of the soil treatment. This action could occur if the monitoring data indicate that the soil contamination is no longer a contributing factor to the groundwater contamination.

Soil contamination is the primary source and pathway by which the contamination enters the groundwater. Some remediation activities have been completed to address this aspect of the contamination. Thirteen underground storage tanks and their contents were removed in December of 1986. About that time some of the most contaminated soils were also removed. The remediation required by the Order will reduce the remaining contaminants in the soil. All of the contaminated soil that was identified offsite (ADEC property) has been relocated to the Site for treatment.

Groundwater is the principle concern of the cleanup. This effort will be more effective if the contaminant sources in the soil eliminated first.

RESULTS OF TREATABILITY STUDIES 3.0

The site characterization identified fifteen contaminants. These contaminants include chlorinated and fluorinated hydrocarbons, aromatic hydrocarbons and petroleum hydrocarbons characterized as multi-component Contaminants exist in the vadose zone, in the saturated or smear zone above the water table and dissolved in groundwater. A number of available technologies were examined in the treatability study. No single technology was determined to be effective in remediating the variety of contaminants in the soil and groundwater at this site. It will take a combination of technologies to remediate this site.

The treatability study identified both in-situ bioventing and soil vapor extraction (SVE) as viable technologies for dealing with soil contaminated with hydrocarbons. In practice both methods employ the same physical mechanisms for operation. They actually take place concurrently, combining the benefits from each. SVE will remove chlorinated VOCs from the soil as well. Such a system can be designed to limit VOC emissions below action levels while maintaining an acceptable rate of remedial activity.

Treatment of the saturated zone is best accomplished by use of sparging. Sparging also has two remediation mechanisms, biological reduction of hydrocarbons and stripping of VOCs including chlorinated compounds. Such a system should be combined with a vapor extraction system to prevent the pressure, which is spreading introduced underground, from possibly the contamination. Biosparging/sparging is also effective as an in-situ method of treating groundwater; however, the literature indicates that there is a limit to the depth at which it can be employed. The reasons for this limit are not clear, perhaps in the highly porous soils of this site it may be possible to expand its use to greater depths.

The treatability study recommended that groundwater remediation would include biosparging and air sparging to address contaminants in the upper level of the aquifer which would be followed by groundwater extraction, air stripping and reinjection to provide treatment of contaminated groundwater not accessible to sparging.

The treatability study that was performed and submitted to the EPA for this site covers a large volume of information. Refer to the Treatability Study for additional information regarding the selection of remediation technologies.

RESULTS OF ADDITIONAL FIELD SAMPLING AND 4.0 PREDESIGN WORK

The Warner Baker site has been extensively tested. It is EIS's opinion that no additional data are required to execute the design of the bioventing/SVE and biosparging/sparging remediation system. Some of the available groundwater data from previous studies have been recompiled to make them more useful in the design effort. The new compilation is reflected in the drawings that are part of this submittal. Additional data will be developed as a byproduct of the installation of the remediation systems. The new format will facilitate incorporating these data into the site maps.

The combination of methods to be used in the remediation and the sequence of their execution will allow operating practice and equipment adjustments to be made based on actual performance and results as the remediation process advances from step to step. The interaction between the methodologies to be employed is a stronger influence on the design parameters to be used than are the traditional sitespecific tests employed when a single technology is to be used. This reasoning will be explained in more detail in the section on project design strategy.

PROJECT DESIGN STRATEGY 5.0

The treatability study showed that several different technologies will be needed to address the variety of contaminants and affected media that are present on this site. By using these technologies in the proper sequence, and at times concurrently, it will not only reduce the overall cleanup effort but will also increase the effectiveness of the individual methods.

The overall strategy for the remediation effort is to remediate the soil contamination before remediating the groundwater. This will reduce the amount of contamination entering the groundwater and give priority to methods that remove the contaminants in greater quantities. Stripping contaminants from extracted groundwater is very inefficient in terms of the effort involved per unit of contaminant removed because the solubility of some of the contaminants is so low. The proposed strategy will minimize the time required for the remediation effort.

The contaminated area in the unsaturated soils is defined by Figure 4.3 from the 1990 EIS Study. Drawing 3.1.0 in Appendix A is based on that Figure. The initial remediation will concentrate on the area identified in Figure 4.3 to remove the primary sources of contamination. The first step will be the installation of a bioventing/soil vapor extraction system. The wells in the system will be arranged to enclose the source area. This will be used to confine the possible travel of contaminants underground during the later sparging phases. Other wells will be positioned at the points of highest concentration. All of the wells will be connected to a manifold system, and will be valved so that they can operate either under vacuum or be used as passive air inlets. Experience with vapor extraction systems shows that this offers several advantages.

- Points of equal pressure potential create no flow areas that exist between each group of wells. This results in dead spots which are unaffected by the remediation effort. Turning wells on and off varies the location of these points so that the entire area is affected.
- Combining contaminated wells varying contaminant concentrations allows the system operator to control the VOC emissions level.
- Wells produce better when they are allowed to "rest" intermittently. By using valves on individual wells rather than shutting down the system to achieve this, the above benefits can be realized and a smaller vacuum pump system can be used.

Initially, the system will be operated in a mode most compatible with bioventing. This will also allow the control of VOC emissions within regulated levels by reducing the speed of the vacuum blower and, if necessary, mixing the combination of wells on vacuum. Vacuum systems produce the highest levels of VOC emissions during initial operation, but the rate falls rapidly. The system will be controlled to shave this initial peak. The overall objective of this phase is to allow in-situ bacteria to consume as much of the contaminants as possible. The continuous supply of oxygen contained in the flow of air induced by the vacuum pump enhances this Keeping localized flow rates low is also beneficial. accomplished by keeping a sufficient number of wells under vacuum at all times.

Monitoring the vacuum system performance is simple. Extraction of VOCs is usually detectable by odor or field instruments. Samples can be collected on carbon tubes for quantification and speciation when necessary. Biological activity can be detected by depressed oxygen levels in the vapors extracted. Experience has shown that this is a more reliable measure than monitoring carbon dioxide levels or attempting to use the combination of oxygen and carbon dioxide to calculate respiration. So long as these indicators show that these processes are active, they will be the primary remediation methods.

The operation of the bioventing/SVE system is limited by climatic conditions. System operation is hampered by freezing conditions to the point that the equipment can be damaged. The principle cause is that water vapor drawn from underground freezes in pipes and equipment. Although this condition can be overcome by heat tracing, the introduction of cold air to the subsurface environment will deter rather than enhance biological activity. Therefore, the system will not be operated when average daily temperatures are consistently below freezing.

When the monitored parameters indicate that the effectiveness of the bioventing/SVE system has diminished, a biosparging/air sparging system will be added to the remediation area. The sparging system will introduce air bubbles below the level of the groundwater. The primary target of this system is the smear zone where much of the contamination is accumulated. The sparging system will operate in conjunction with the SVE system. Although these systems are often used separately, when used together they enhance each other's effectiveness. bubbles introduced by the sparging system will travel vertically under the influence of gravity unless they encounter physical barriers or pressure gradients that alter their course. When the bubbles reach the unsaturated soil, they release air that is in turn drawn to the SVE wells. This creates new paths through the soil to help deliver oxygen to the in-situ bacteria and remove more contaminants. The paths created by the SVE system when operating alone are from the surface or from adjacent SVE

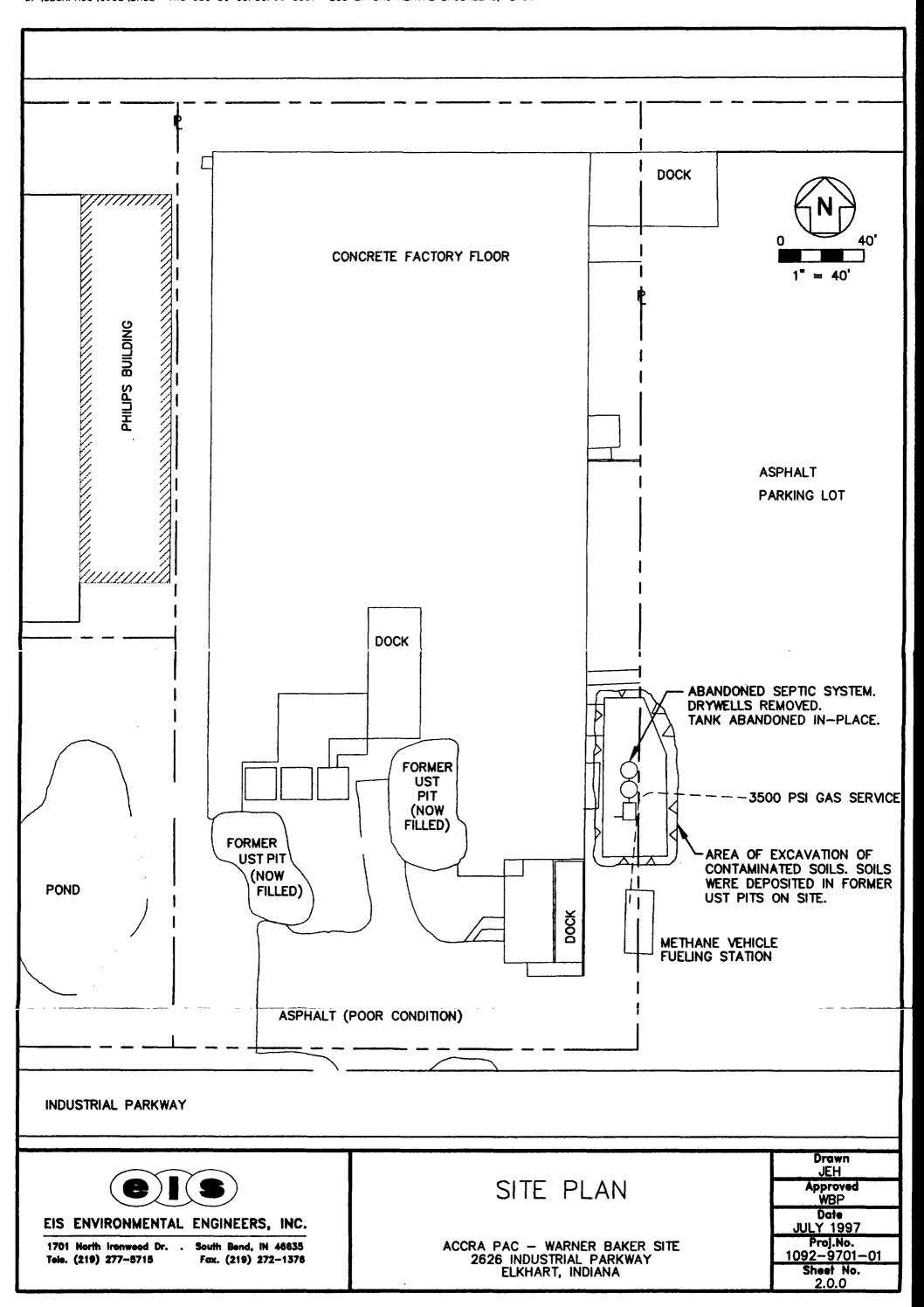
wells, which are currently being operated in the passive mode to the extracting well points. The emergence of the bubbles from below provides entirely new pathways through which the bioventing/SVE system can draw air, increasing its area of influence. During this period, the bioventing/ SVE system will operate at higher capacity to assure capture of any VOC emissions of the biosparging/air sparging system and prevent the possible spread of contaminants. Air emissions will remain low because the higher levels of VOCs will already have been diminished from the bioventing/vapor extraction phase.

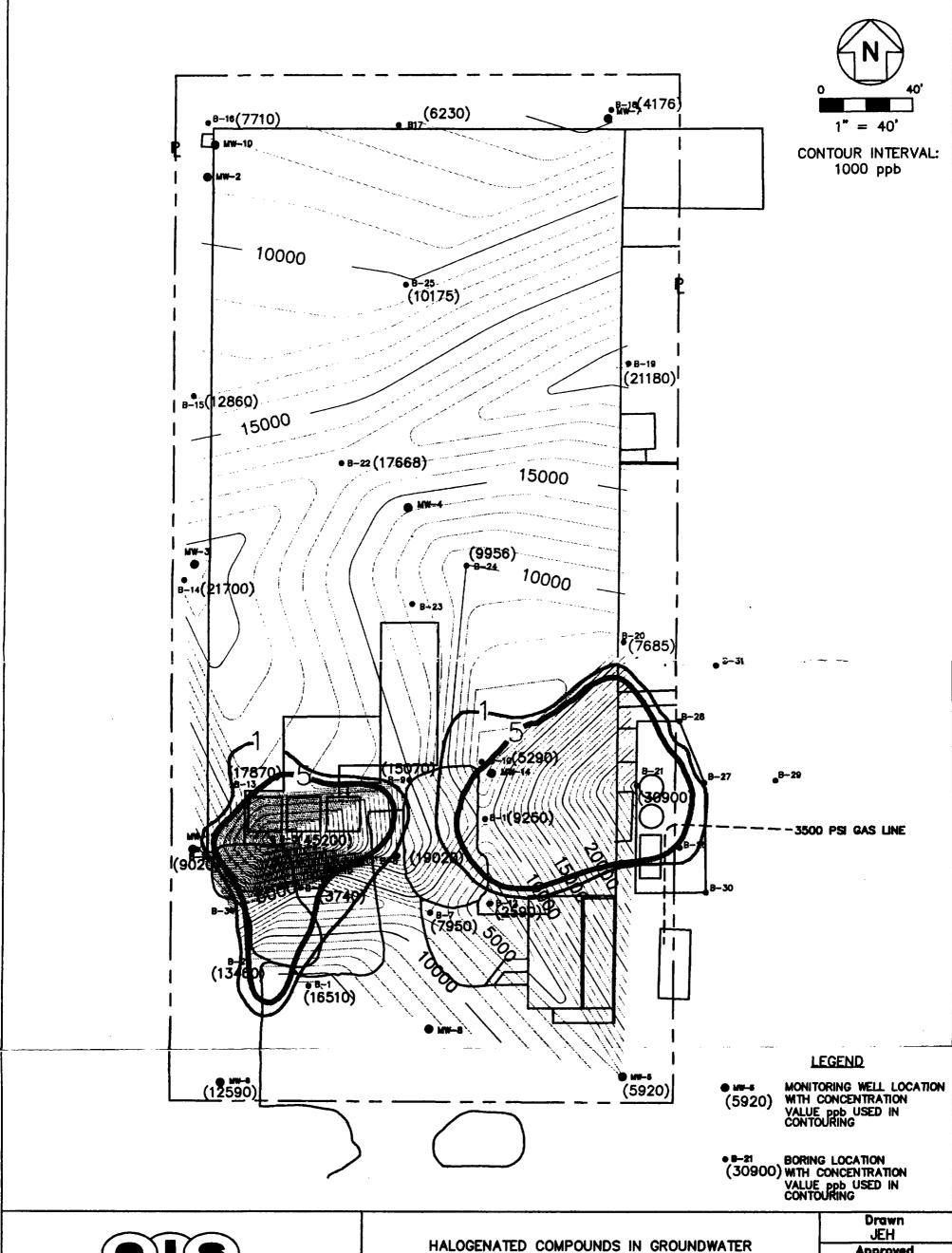
Monitoring for biosparging/air sparging will be the same as for the bioventing/SVE since most of the gases leaving the sparging system will be captured by the SVE system. VOCs and oxygen levels can be monitored as described above to determine the effectiveness of the remediation effort.

When the effectiveness of the bioventing/SVE and biosparging/air sparging systems has been exhausted, the direct treatment of groundwater will begin. This will be a pump and treat system, but several operating modes may be employed depending on the remediation needs of the site at that time. The main variable in selecting an operating mode will be the effectiveness of the previous treatment. If further soil remediation is needed, the pump and treat system will be located to prevent the spread of contamination. If the smear zone needs further treatment, the pump and treat system may be combined with the SVE operation using well locations designed to lower the water table so that the SVE system can access the contamination. If neither of the above are required, the pump and treat system will be designed to prevent contaminated groundwater from leaving the site.

Because of the issues discussed above, the design of the pump and treat remediation system will not be included with the current Engineering Design Submittal for soil remediation. The groundwater Engineering Design Submittal will be completed after data have been obtained to evaluate the effectiveness of the soil remediation effort.

APPENDIX A CONTAMINANT MAPS





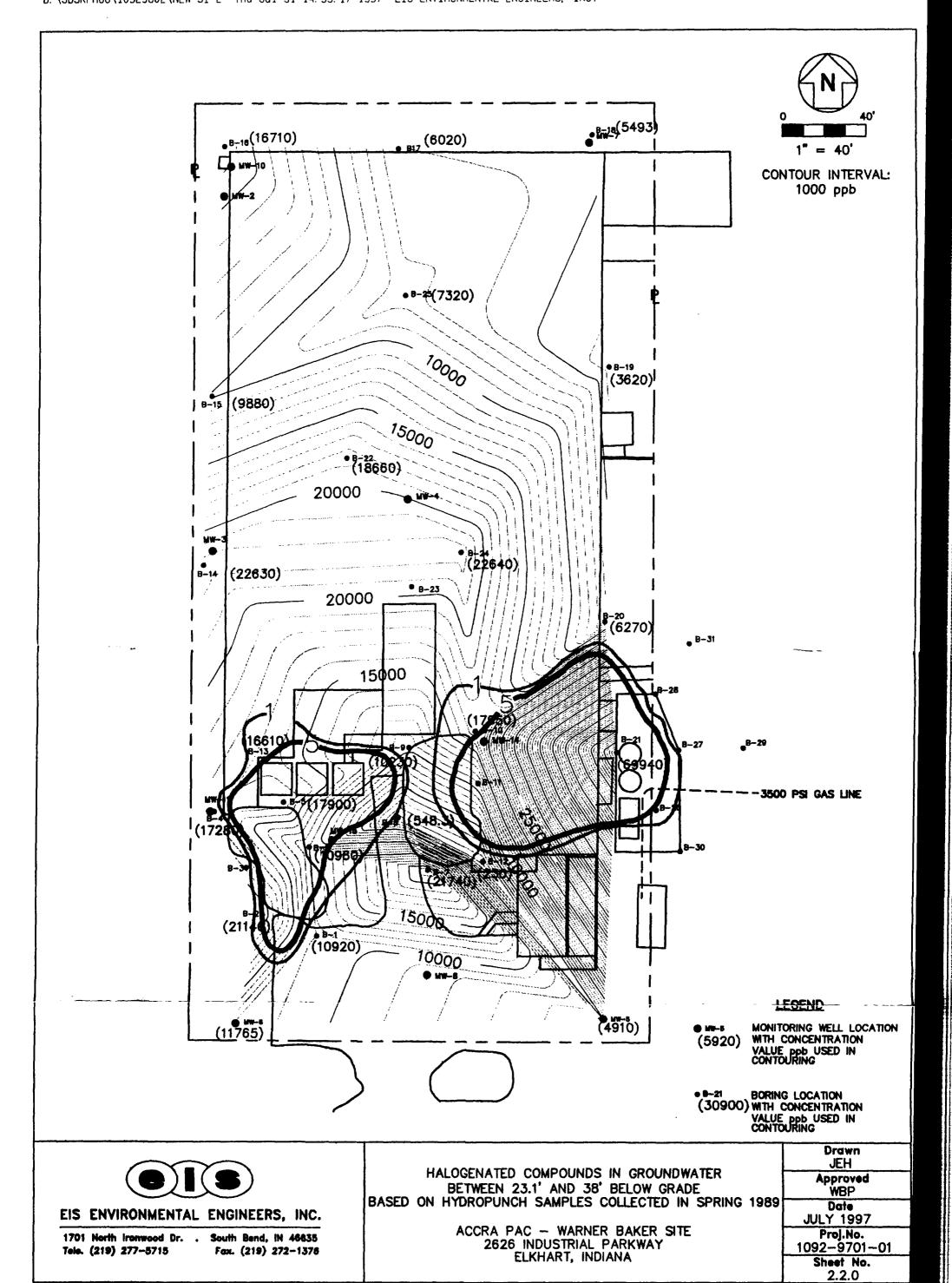


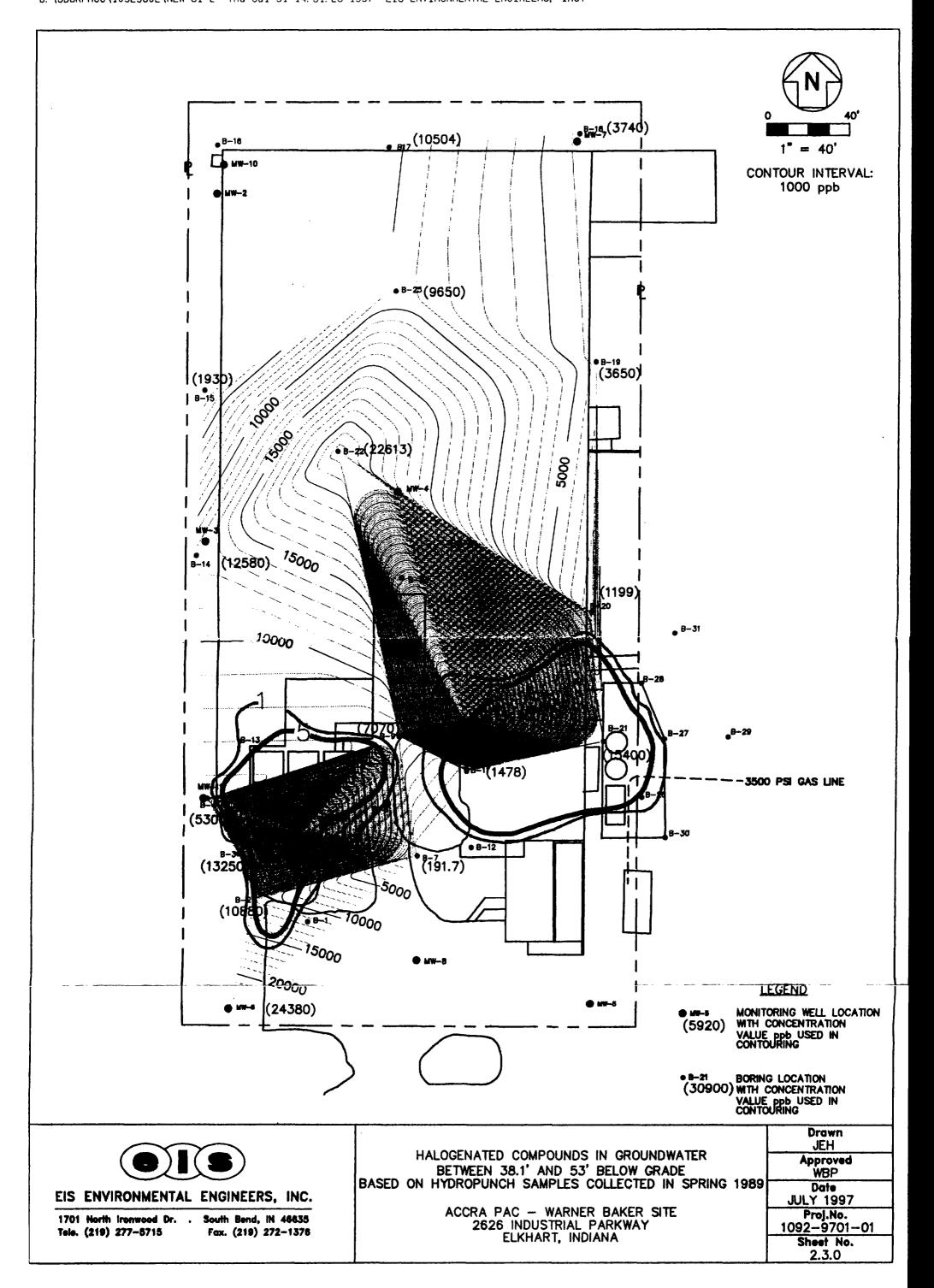
1701 North Ironwood Dr. . Tele. (219) 277-5715

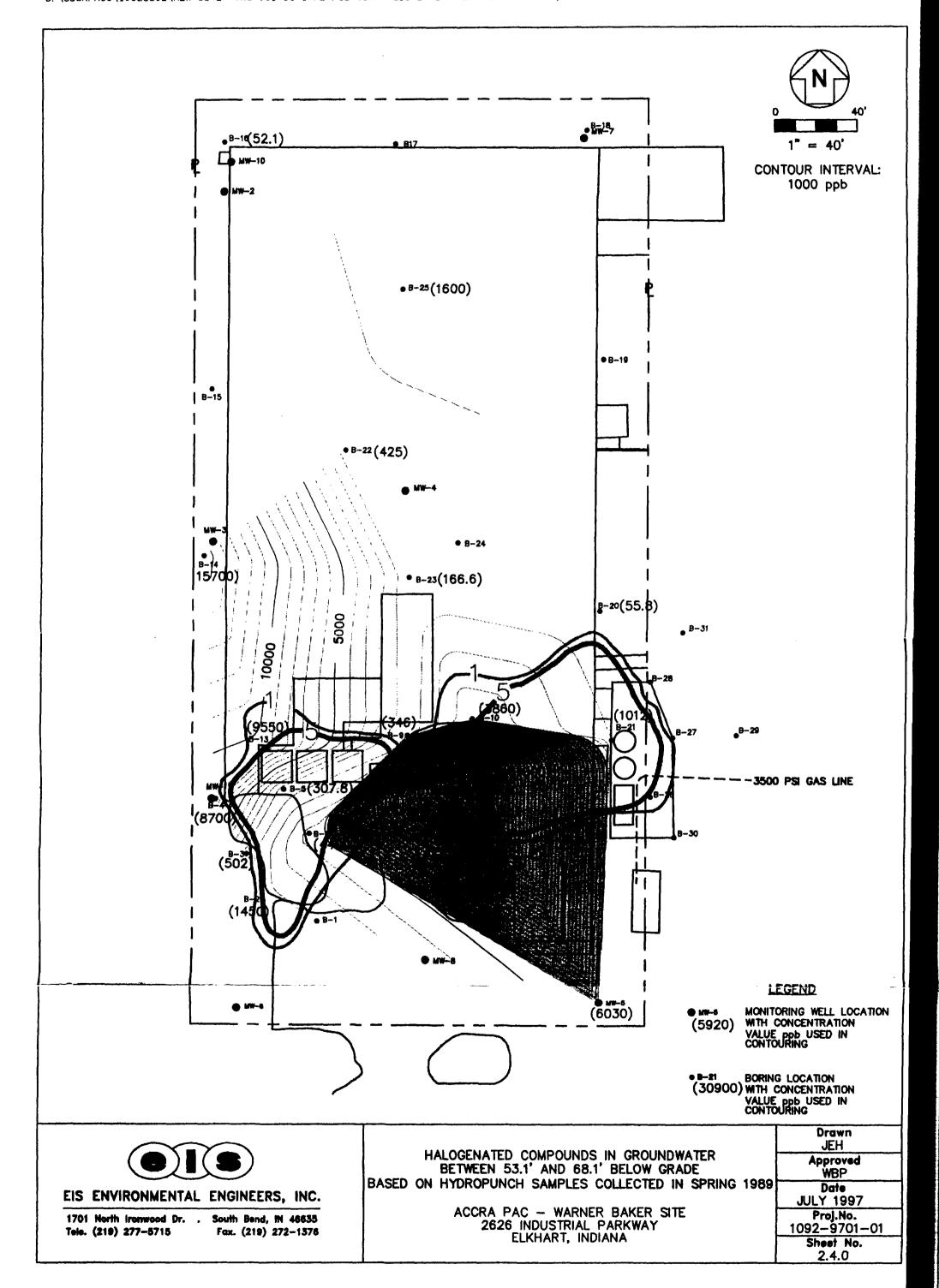
South Bend, IN 46635 Fax. (219) 272-1376

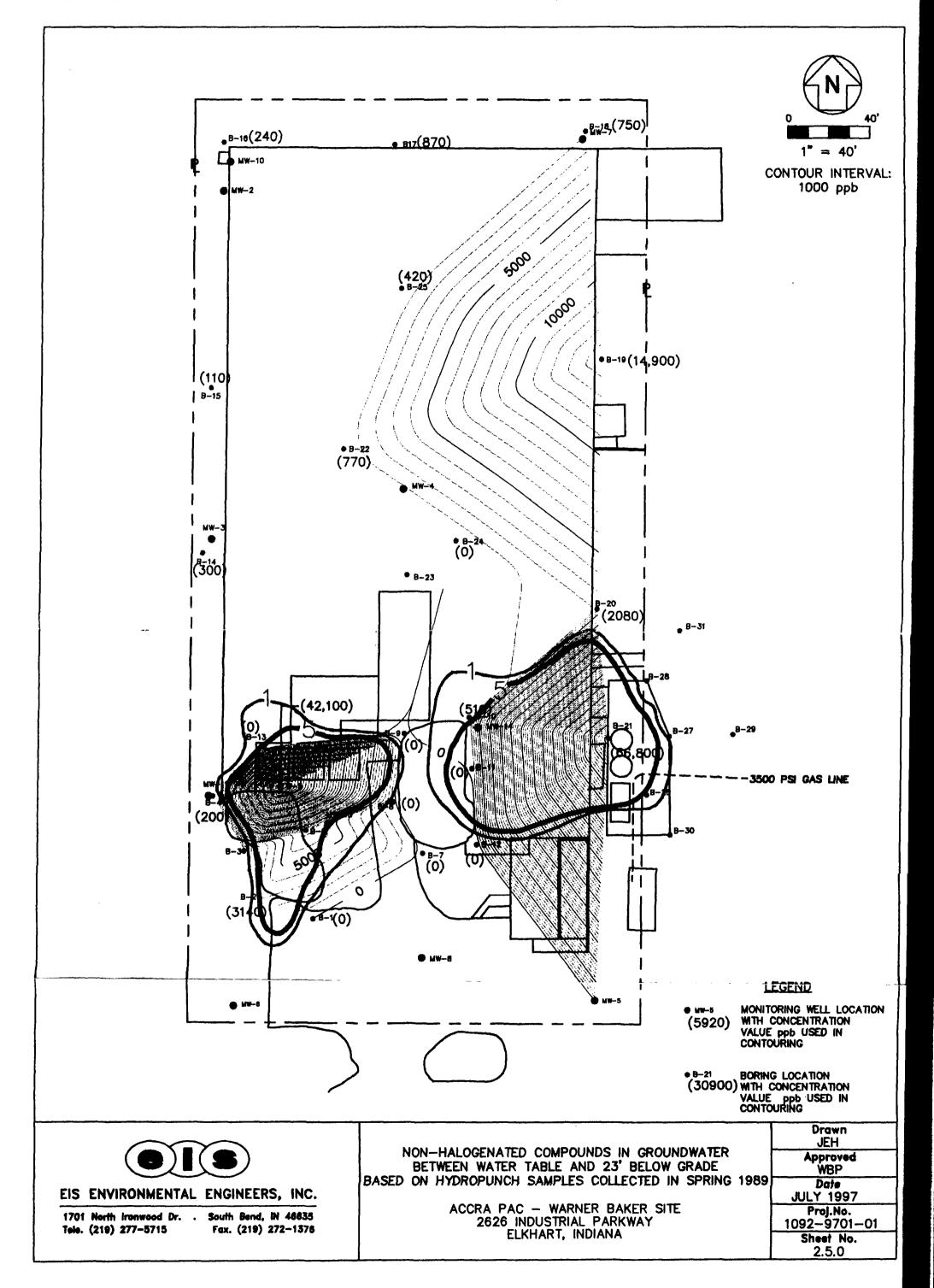
HALOGENATED COMPOUNDS IN GROUNDWATER BETWEEN WATER TABLE AND 23' BELOW GRADE BASED ON HYDROPUNCH SAMPLES COLLECTED IN SPRING 1989

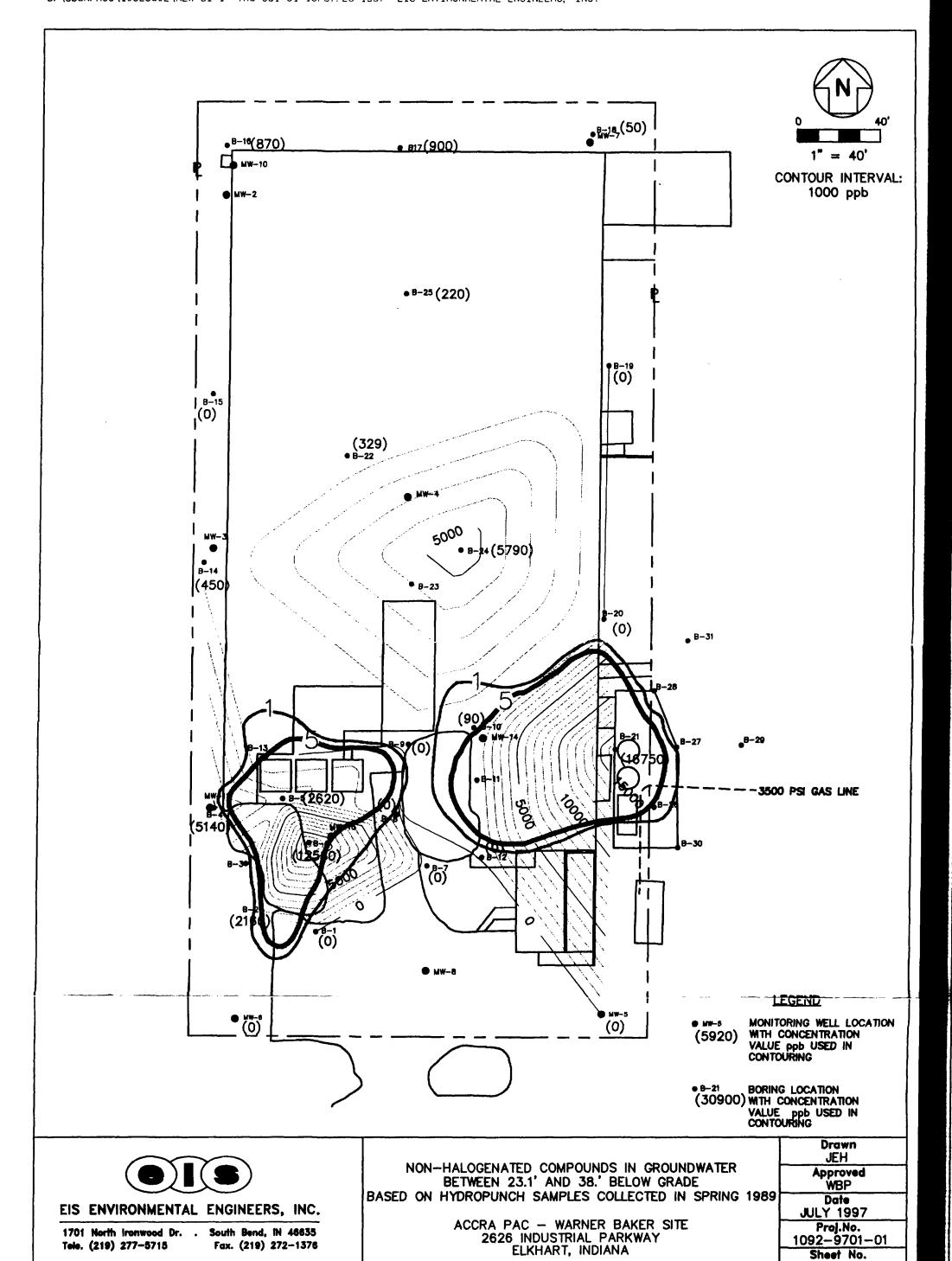
Drawn JEH		
Approved WBP		
Date JULY 1997		
Proj.No. 1092—9701—01		
Sheet No. 2.1.0		



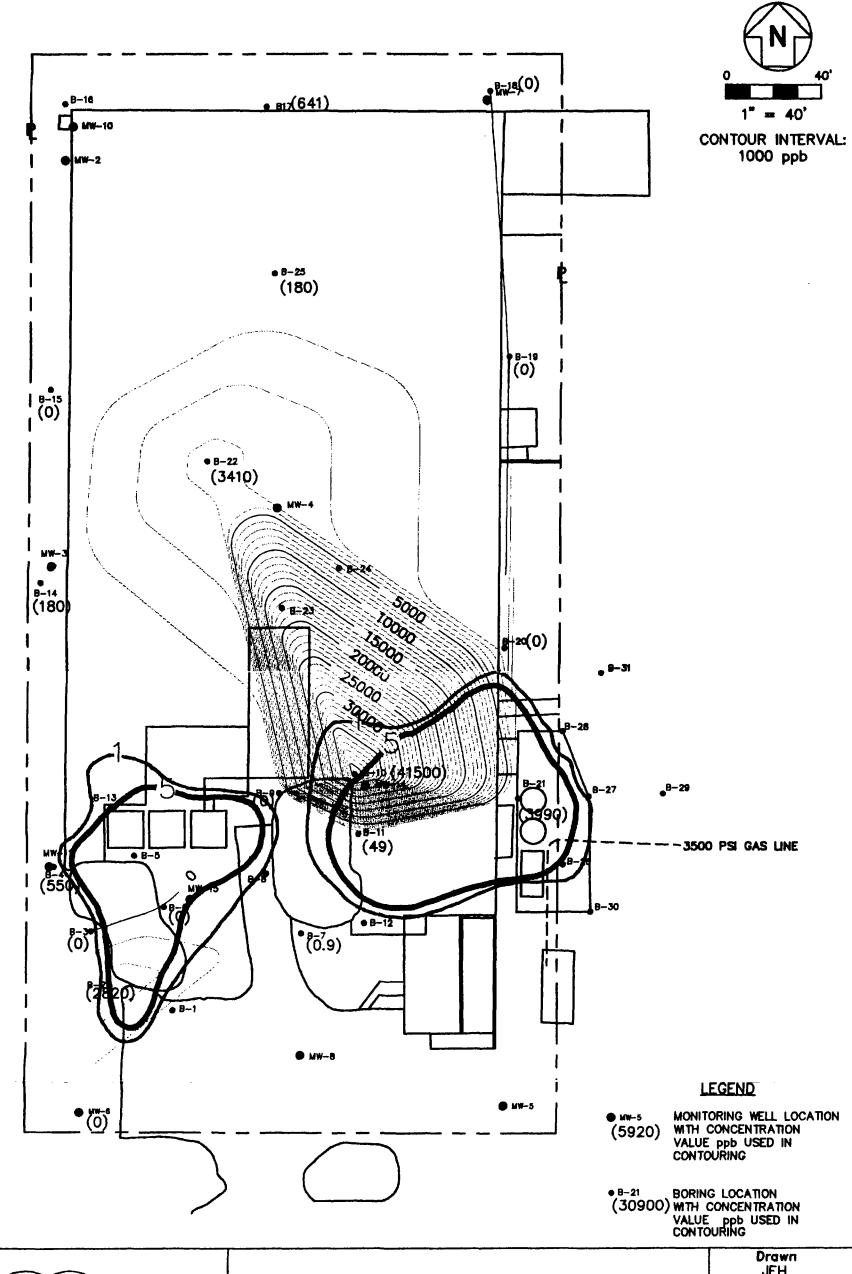








2.6.0

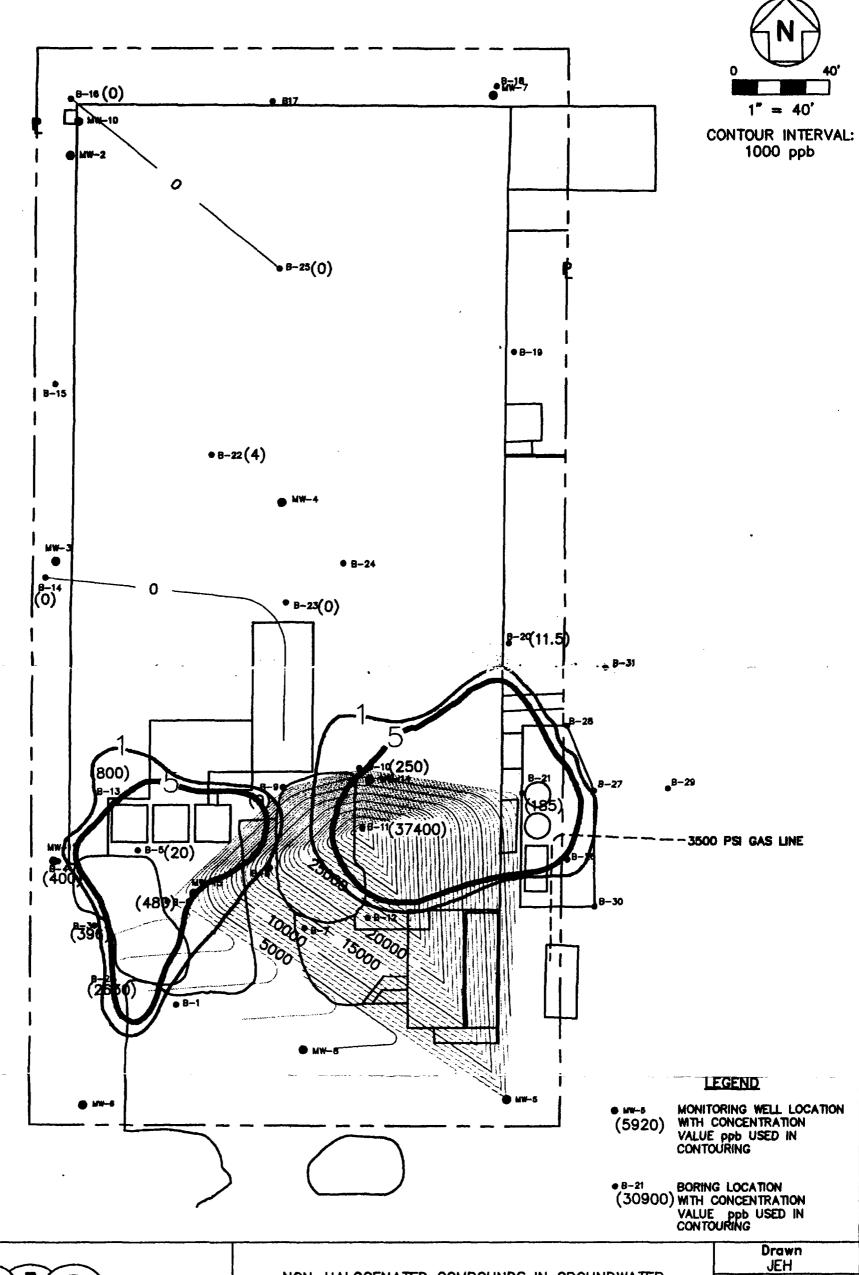




Tele. (219) 277-5715

1701 North Ironwood Dr. . South Bend, IN 46635 Fax. (219) 272-1376 NON-HALOGENATED COMPOUNDS IN GROUNDWATER
BETWEEN 38.1' AND 53' BELOW GRADE
BASED ON HYDROPUNCH SAMPLES COLLECTED IN SPRING 1989

JEH
Approved WBP
Date JULY 1997
Proj.No. 1092-9701-01
Sheet No. 2.7.0



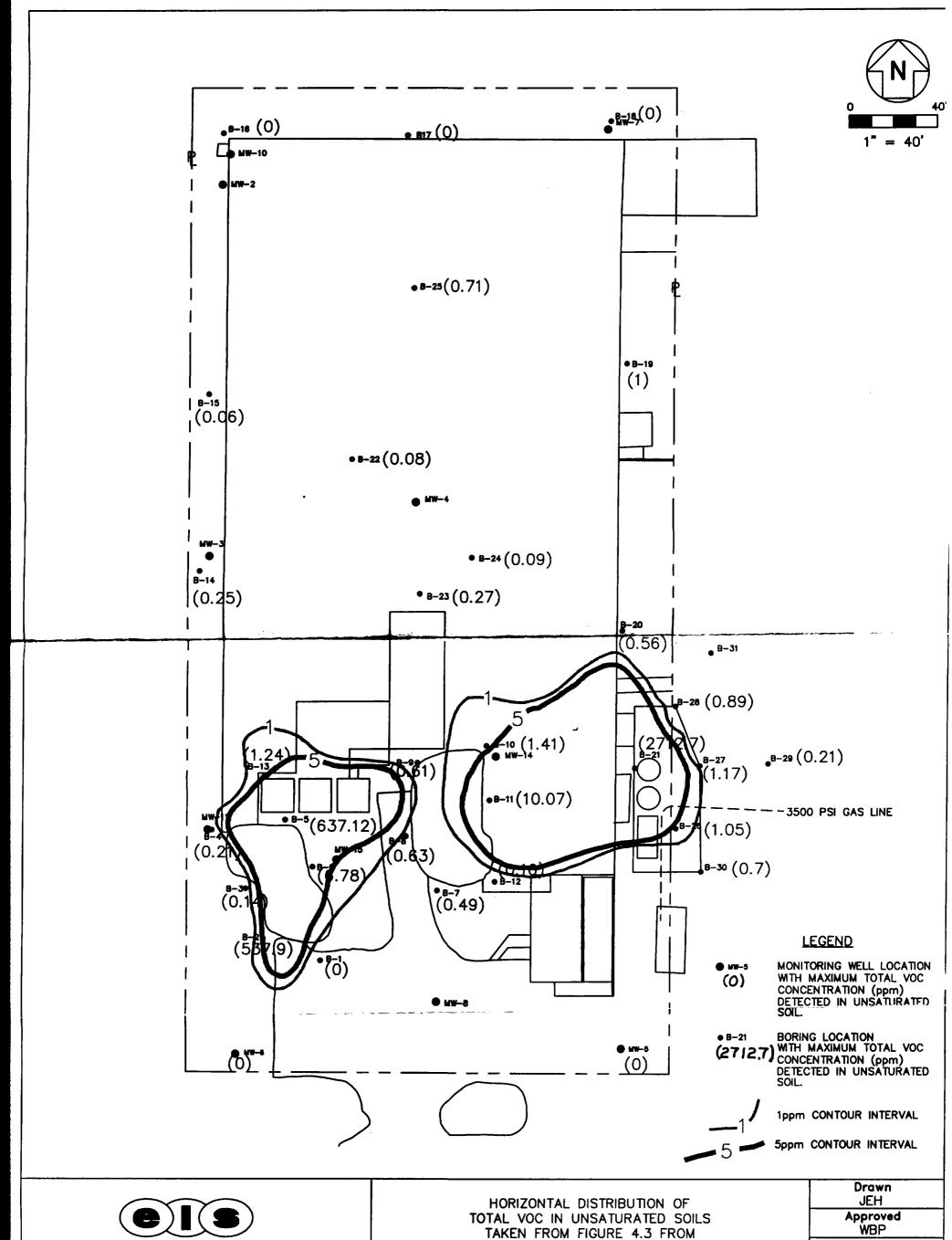


Tele. (219) 277-5715

1701 North Ironwood Dr. . South Bend, IN 46635 Fax. (219) 272-1376

NON-HALOGENATED COMPOUNDS IN GROUNDWATER BETWEEN 53.1' AND 68.1' BELOW GRADE BASED ON HYDROPUNCH SAMPLES COLLECTED IN SPRING 1989

	Drawn JEH
	Approved WBP
3	Date JULY 1997
	Proj.No. 1092–9701–01
	Sheet No. 2.8.0

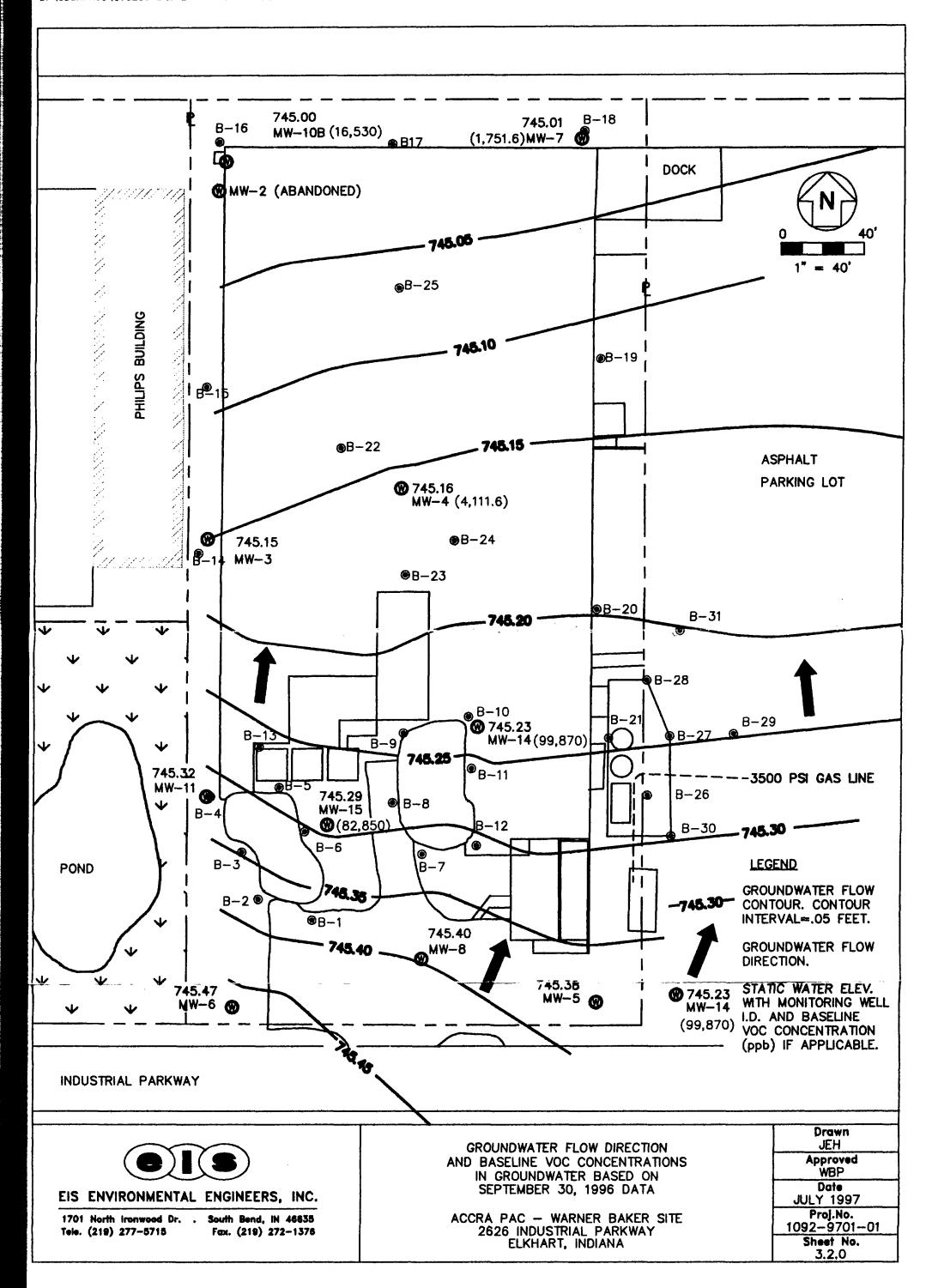




Tele. (219) 277-5715

1701 North Ironwood Dr. . South Bend, IN 46635 Fax. (219) 272-1376 INVESTIGATION REPORT DATED SEPT. 1990

Drawn							
JEH Approved WBP Date							
				JULY 1997			
				Proj.No.			
				1092-9701-01			
Sheet No.							
3.1.0							
·							

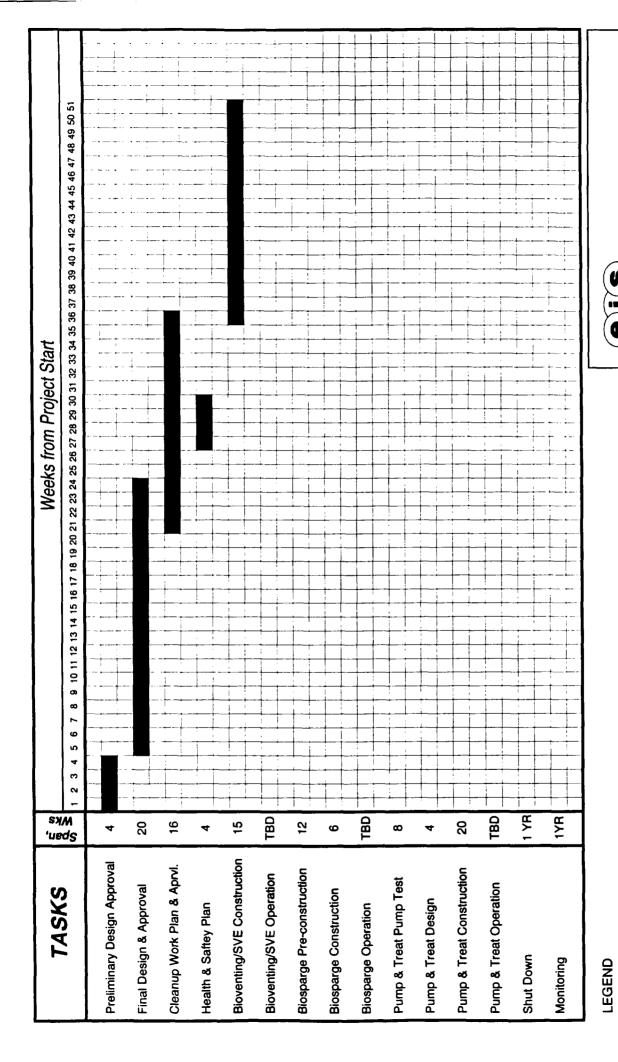


APPENDIX B SPECIFICATIONS

LIST OF SPECIFICATIONS

Biovent/SVC System	
1. Vacuum Blower	 Will use manufacturer's standard equipment. Need pressure and flow from final design. If skid mounted, will use schematic to specify components.
2. Piping Construction	PVC piping – no spec – will bid to drawings
3. Building	Spec only size – (anticipate backyard shed). Buy on installed cost.
4. Instruments (vacuum gauges)	Standard items – catalog purchase.
5. Well Installation	Use existing EIS standards.
Sparging System	
Blower or Compressor	 Will use manufacturer's standard equipment. Need pressure and flow from final design. If skid mounted, will use schematic to specify components.
2. Piping construction	PVC piping – no spec – will bid to drawings.
3. Instruments (pressure and flow)	Standard items – catalog purchase.
4. Sparge Point Installation	To be determined at final design.

APPENDIX C SCHEDULES



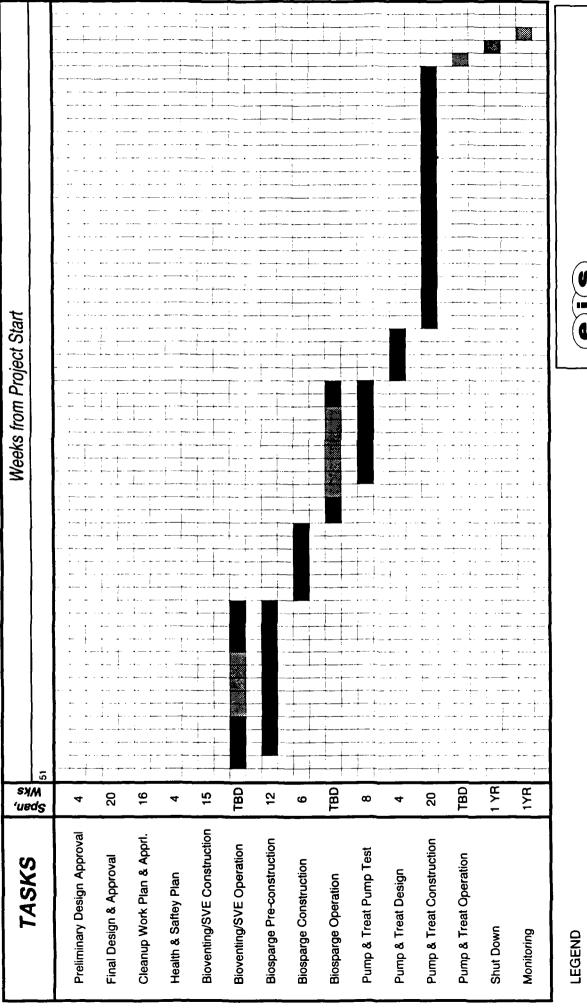
7/30/97, master

Page 1 of 3

ACCRA PACWARNER BAKER SITE REMEDIATION IMPLEMENTATION

NOT TO SCALE

MASTER SCHEDULE

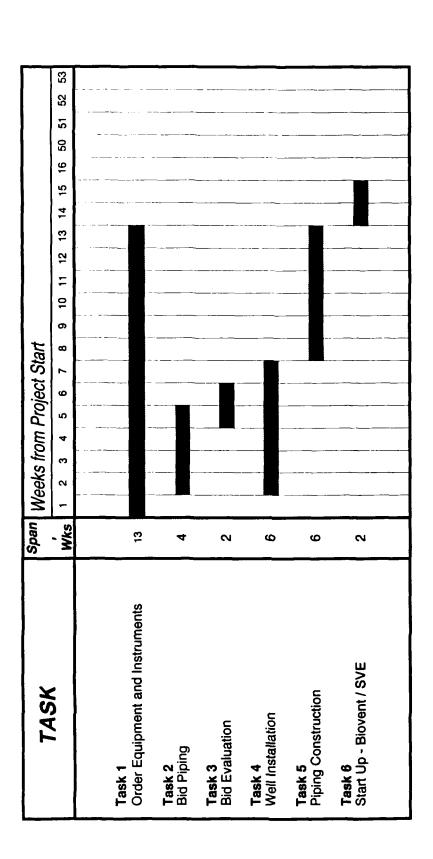


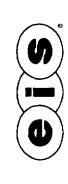
ACCRA PACWARNER BAKER SITE REMEDIATION IMPLEMENTATION

NOT TO SCALE

Page 2 of 3

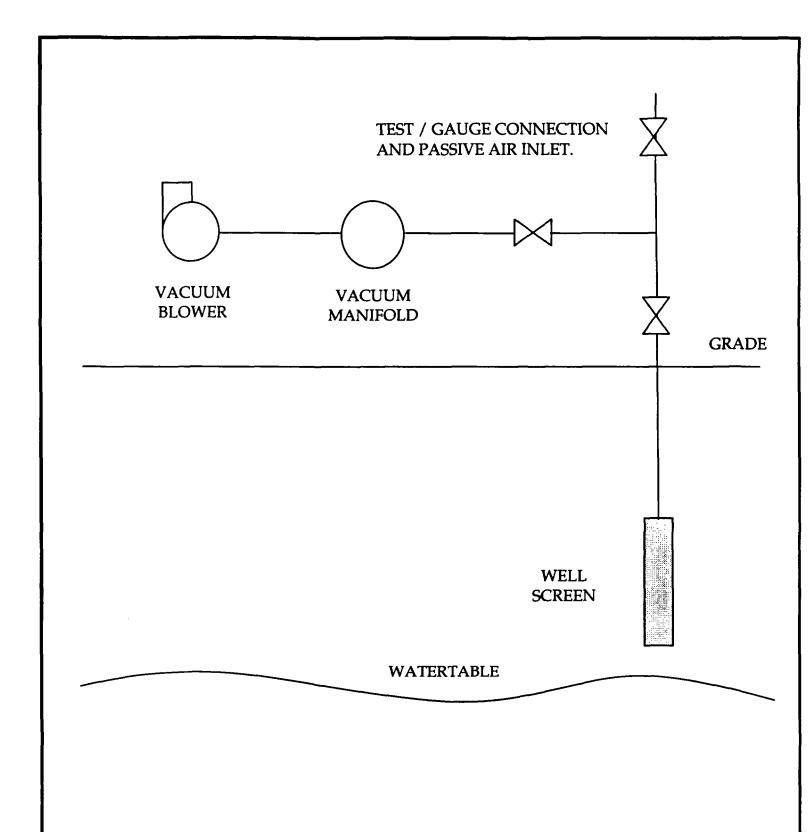
MASTER SCHEDULE





ACCREA PACEWARNER BAKER SITE BIOVENTING/SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION PRELIMINARY CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE Page 3 of 3

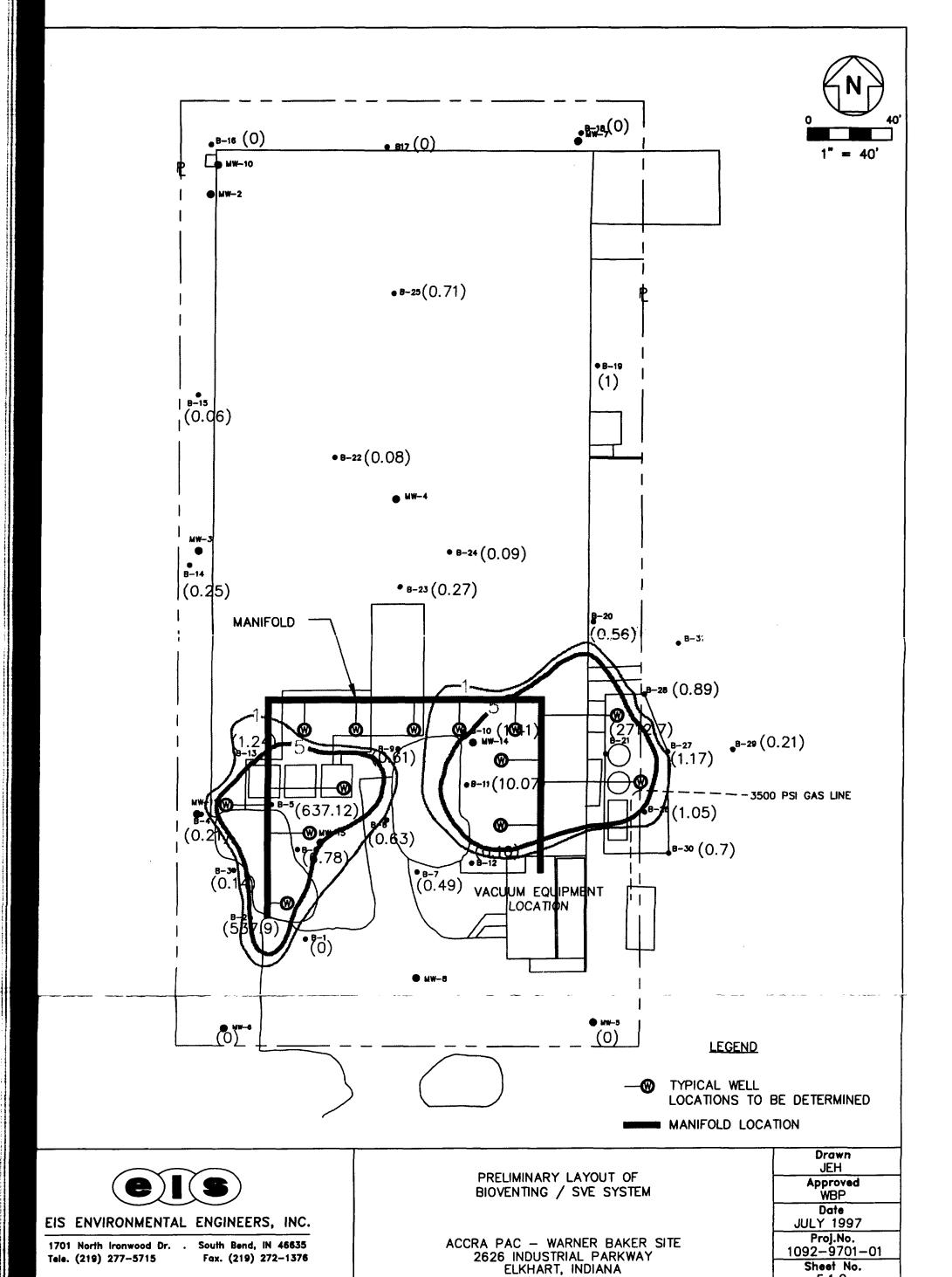
APPENDIX D PLANS, DRAWINGS AND SKETCHES





EIS Environmental Engineers, Inc. 1701. N. Ironwood Drive South Bend, Indiana 46635 SCHEMATIC OF BIOVENTING / SVE SYSTEM ACCRA PAC/WARNER BAKER SITE 2626 INDUSTRIAL PAKKWAY ELKHART, INDIANA

SHT. 4.1.0



5.1.0